

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD HELD DECEMBER 09, 2003, AT THE ALVIN YORK BANDY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: ROBERT BELMAN, THOMAS VILLACRES, ROBERT HUNT, BARBARA COLE, KAREN ZINK, PATRICIA HEALY, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND EDWARD SULLIVAN, CHAIRMAN, JEAN S. MURRAY, SUPERINTENDENT, AND GLORIA ANZALONE SHELTON, CLERK OF THE BOARD.

Mr. Sullivan called the meeting to order.

Closed Session

Motion: Ms. Healy

Second: Mr. Villacres

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (a) of the Code of Virginia, I move that the Board convene a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the following specific matter(s) in agenda items 6A and 6B:

To discuss student matters, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 (a) (1) of the Code of Virginia; and

To discuss possible land acquisition, as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 (a) (3) of the Code of Virginia.

Voting in favor of the motion were Mr. Belman, Mr. Villacres, Mr. Hunt, Ms. Cole, Ms. Zink, Ms. Healy, and Mr. Sullivan. Motion carried unanimously.

7:30 p.m.

The School Board reconvened into open session. No action was taken in closed session.

Mr. Sullivan led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by an invocation. Mr. Sullivan dedicated tonight's meeting in memory of Jim O'Shaughnessy, an esteemed colleague who passed away suddenly.

Certification of Closed Meeting

Whereas, the Stafford County School Board has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Stafford County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (I) only public

business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by

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Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

Motion: Ms. Healy

Second: Mr. Villacres

VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION MADE BY MS. HEALY AND SECONDED BY MS. ZINK THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE AGENDA, AS PRESENTED. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Citizens Comments

Anne LeDoux, Mary Haywood, Duane Grayson, Mary Bland, Jennie Satterfield, and Karen Clore addressed the School Board regarding the proposed health insurance changes.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD **Student Matters - Discipline Committee**

Earlier this evening, a committee of the Board met to consider student disciplinary matters. In action taken, the committee voted unanimously to:

- * Suspend Student "A" for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year and authorize him to attend the Regional Alternative Education Program;
- * Suspend Student "B" for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year and authorize him to attend the Regional Alternative Education Program;
- * Suspend Student "C" out-of-school through the end of the first semester of the 2003-04 school year and suspended her from participating in Band for the remainder of the school year
- * Suspend Student "D" for the remainder of the 2003-04 school year and authorize him to attend the Middle School Alternative Education Program.

Advisory Committee Recommendations

MOTION MADE BY MR. VILLACRES AND SECONDED BY MR. HUNT THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE LONG-RANGE

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PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AS PRESENTED. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. VILLACRES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Committee Reports (None)

Comments

Mr. Belman encouraged citizens to participate in the Breakfast Buddy Program at Falmouth and/or Grafton Village Elementary Schools. Mr. Belman requested that the School Board participate in meetings with the Board of Supervisors and VDOT concerning ways to make the intersection of Winding Creek and Courthouse Roads safer. Mr. Villacres congratulated Cathy Walker for her selection in the Washington Post's Educational Leadership Award program. Mr. Hunt stated that parent representatives on the Special Education Advisory Committee commended the Transportation Department for making improvements. Ms. Cole introduced Dana Reinboldt, newly-elected Board member from the Griffis-Widewater District. Board members extended their thanks to Mrs. Cole for her many years of serving on the School Board and improving education in Stafford County.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent's Annual Report

The Superintendent reviewed the many accomplishments of the school division during the 2002-2003 school year.

Comments

Dr. Murray announced that in addition to the eight schools currently closed to transfers (Brooke Point and Stafford High Schools, Stafford Middle School, and Stafford, Hartwood, Rockhill, Grafton Village and Hampton Oaks Elementary Schools), four additional schools will be closed to transfers effective January 23, 2004: Winding Creek and Falmouth Elementary Schools and Gayle and Thompson Middle Schools.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE BY MR. VILLACRES AND SECONDED BY MS. COLE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Consent Agenda items were as follows:

- A. Minutes of the November 11, 2003 Meeting
- B. Personnel - Resignations and Appointments

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- C. Payment of Bills
- D. Overnight Field Trip Requests
- E. Religious Exemptions
- F. Renewal of Contracts for Professional Consulting Services

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution Conveying Armstrong Property to Stafford County

MOTION MADE BY MS. HEALY AND SECONDED BY MR. BELMAN THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE RESOLUTION CONVEYING THE ARMSTRONG PROPERTY TO STAFFORD COUNTY. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Resolution - Loop Road - Elementary School 2004

MOTION MADE BY MR. VILLACRES AND SECONDED BY MR. BELMAN THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PLANNED LOOP ROAD ON THE ARMSTRONG PROPERTY, AS PRESENTED. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Evaluation Committee Recommendation - Initial Conceptual Phase Proposals

MOTION MADE BY MR. BELMAN AND SECONDED BY MR. HUNT THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO DOWNSelect OF INITIAL CONCEPTUAL PHASE PROPOSALS TO ENTER INTO THE DETAILED REVIEW PHASE OF THE PPEA PROCUREMENT PROCESS. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR. VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INFORMATION ITEMS

FY2004 First Quarter Financial Review

MOTION MADE BY MS. HEALY AND SECONDED BY MS. COLE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE FY2004 FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL REVIEW, AS PRESENTED. VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION WERE MR. BELMAN, MR.

**VILLACRES, MR. HUNT, MS. COLE, MS. ZINK, MS. HEALY, AND MR. SULLIVAN.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Health Insurance Update

The School Board received an update on proposed changes to the health insurance program. The final proposal will be presented for information on January 13, 2004 and action will be requested on January 27, 2004.

Proposed Amendment to Policy 4-33: Receipt and Payment - Goods and Services

The School Board held its first reading of proposed changes to Policy 4-33. Action will be taken at the next meeting.

Credit Union Services

The School Board received a briefing on the Apple Federal Credit Union, the credit union chosen for employees of Stafford County Public Schools. No action was requested.

Mold Remediation

Dr. Nougaret reviewed the many actions taken as well as those recommended for future implementation by the Maintenance Department to address mold Remediation in our facilities. No action was requested.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.